Market price of drugs

1615. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether bis Ministry is aware that the market price of Ethambutol, Gentamycin, Metranidazole, Ampicillin and number of other drugs are much lower than the notified prices;

(b) what is the discount being offered by HAL on sales of Gentamycin; and

(c) what steps have been taken,to. fix the formulation prices based on purchase price of bulk drug?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGALRAO): (a) to (c) Information, to the extent' available, would be. collected and-laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha.

Production of Tinidazole and Metronidazole

1816. SHRI P. N. SUKUL: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that total turnover per annum of Tinidazole is more than Rupees Seven Crores;

(b.) whether it is also a fact that both Metronidazole and Tinidazole' are being produced *M* the country;

(c) if so, names of the producers, and what are the production of each during the last three years, yearwise;

(d) whether it is a fact that Metronidazole has been price controlled Whereas Tinidazole is so far exempted; and

(e) if so, what corrective steps have been taken by his Ministry?

THE MINISTER "OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGALRAO): (a) Sales turnover of drugs is not monitored by this Ministry. .

(b)' Yes, Sir.

(c) Details to the extent available are given in the enclosed statement (See below)

(d) and (e) Metronidazole has been treated as a Scheduled . Bulk Drug under DPCO, 1987, pursuant to the recommendations contained in the main Report of the Kelkar Committee. Neither* in the main Report nor in its Supplementary report, has the-Kelkar Committee made similar • recommendation regarding Tinidazole.

Statement •

Name of drug/Company	A/C Unit	Production .		
		1985-86	1986-87	1987-88
1	2 -	3	4	5
Metronidazle				
IDPL		0.4		
May & Baker		11.92	'5.84	14.45
Unichem . .	. -	82.54	89.91	123.28
Unique Chem		126.38	137.17	204.55

1	2	3	4	5
Fairdeal	. . .	7.67	6.09	15.26
Raptakos Brett		.7.84	- ••	••
Chemo Pharma		13.16	6.57	0.43
Metroni Drugs		65 76	83.36	86.95
Uniloids		1.46	3.41	. ■..
Caffeinhal Organics		O.60	0.77	••
Jani Kaliawala		0.16	••"	••
Ttnidazole				
Cadila Labs		10.13	16.18	12.07
Fair deal		1.81	**4.78**	2.39
Lyphin Chemical	.	6.69	7.95	4.26
Unique Chemical				..
Euphoric		0.05	0.70	0.6
Metroni Drugs		3.75	6.82	2.87
			12.61	15.79

Allocation of penicillin

1617. SHRI P. N. SUKUL; Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be. pleased to state:

(a) whether hi$_s$ attention has been drawn to the news-item which appeared in the Economic Times of the 37th April, 1989 under the heading of N*o* Change i$_n$ Penicillin 'G' allocation for Older Units';

<b) whether it is a fact that his Ministry has framed a New Policy for import of. Penicillin 'G' and Peni-oillin «V;

(c) if. so, what ar$_e$ the details itoereof; and

(d) what is the indigenous price of Penicillin *'G'* and what is the landed cost of import of Penicillin V and Penicillin 'G'

THE MINISTER OE INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGALRAO); (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. Under the new Policy announced for the year 1989-90, Penicillin G will be allowed to the manufacturers of 6 APA/T ADCA in the ratio of 70 (imported): 30 (indigenous). As regards Penicillin V," all users of Penicillin V nave been asked to use Penicillin ■ G.

(d) The price of indigenous and imported Penicillin G First Crystals is about Rs. 6.5 lakhs and Rs.3.5 lakhs per MMU respectively. Similar-ly, the prices of indigenous Penicillin V First" Crystals, based on BICP's Study Report of August, 1886 is Rs. 6.5 lakhs per MMU and that of imported Penicillin V IS Rs. 3.5 lakhs per MMU approximately.